Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, It is appropriate to recognize those South Dakotans who have distinguished themselves in public service; and,

Whereas, James Kjerstad dedicated 12 years of leadership and service to the Wall City Council, creating many benefits for the rural community. He earned the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce in 2008, and was named "Aggie of the Year" in 2009 from the Rapid City Chamber of Commerce; and,

Whereas, James was elected to the Pennington County Board of Commissioners in 1997, serving three consecutive terms, and also as Chairman in 2001, 2005, and 2007. He has worked tirelessly on many issues and projects, including the building of the Event Center on the Pennington County Fairgrounds for which he is most proud; and,

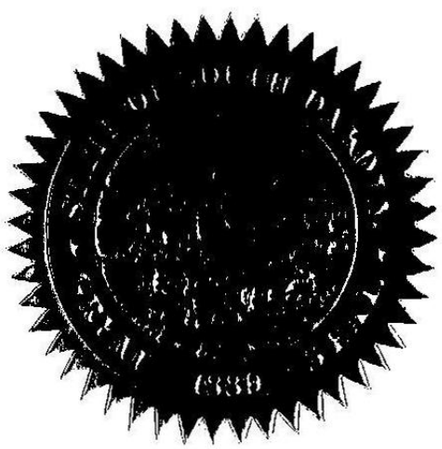
Whereas, James served on the "Save Ellsworth Task Force" and continuously strives to serve the best interest of the citizens of Pennington County and the state of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, On March 19, 2010, a special dedication ceremony is being held renaming the Pennington County Event Center in honor of Commissioner James Kjerstad, recognizing him for his hard work and dedication to the citizens of Pennington County:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 19, 2010, as

JAMES KJERSTAD DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Teresa J. Bray, Deputy
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State